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**To:** JudTestimony  
**Cc:** 'Rep. Stephen Harding'  
**Subject:** Bills 650; 6848; and 6902

Dear Judiciary Committee Members,

I am unable to attend the March 11, 2015 public hearing on bills 650, 6848 and 6962 as I am one of the only 29% of CT citizens that pays income tax to the State of CT. I do this by working which I will be during the times of the public hearing.

Please accept this written testimony for the record. I respectfully ask that you oppose all 3 bills as they are flawed and erode the rights of all CT citizens. Bills 650 & 6848, are open to abuse and will assuredly lead to innocent people being accused of actions and as a result losing their rights and property without the constitutionally guaranteed right to due process. Bill 6962 should also be opposed. While all firearms should be stored safely, this bill is too broad and will expose people to unnecessary legal problems. The citizens of CT have a right to due process e.g. a hearing before a judge before the state takes action against them.

It is everyone's right to bear and keep arms in the manner which they choose within their home. Unless the individual is a convicted felon this is not the governments business. We as citizens need to go back to relying on an individual's obligation to take responsibility for their actions and not try to write a new law each time someone does not. There are many laws already on the books to deal with the few irresponsible individuals. I urge you to vote no on these bills.

Thank you,  
Andrew Koehm  
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